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## LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY

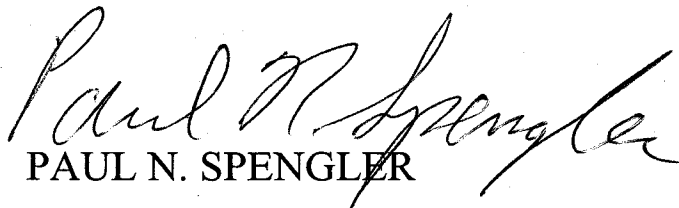
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### LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR SB 142

I support SB 142 as the Lewis and Clark County Disaster and Emergency Services Coordinator for these reasons:

1. It clarifies the role of DPHHS and the governor in a disaster or emergency.
2. The bill provides for a closer working relationship with health officials and emergency managers.
3. SB 142 does not negate or diminish the authority of local government officials to perform their duties during disasters or emergencies.

As a local emergency manager I believe that it would enhance, rather than hinder, the excellent cooperation and coordination that I now enjoy with my local health department and DPHHS.

  
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